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Applicants' amendment and remarks of January 2, 2008, are non-responsive. Claims added by amendment following action by the examiner, MPEP § 818.01, § 818.02(a), to an invention other than previously claimed, should be treated as indicated by 37 CFR 1.145, 37 CFR 1.145 states that if, after an office action on an application, the applicant presents claims directed to an invention distinct from and independent of the invention previously claimed, the applicant will be required to restrict the claims to the invention previously claimed if the amendment is entered, subject to reconsideration and review as provided in § 8.14 and 1.144.

The amendment filed on January 2, 2008, amending the claims such that they are drawn to a non-elected apparatus invention is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). Originally presented claims were drawn to a multilayer dewatering fabric classified in class 442, subclass 181. Currently amended claims are drawn to an appartus comprising a multilayer dewatering fabric and a dynamic condensation drying apparatus, classified in class 162, subclass 232. Restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper because all these inventions listed in this action are independent or distinct for the reasons given above and there would be a serious search and examination burden if restriction were not required because the inventions require a different field of search (for example, searching different classes/subclasses or electronic resources, or employing different search queries). As set forth above, Applicants are required to restrict the claims to the product comprising a multilayer dewatering fabric as previously claimed and examined.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a bonafide attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandomment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

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